

末っ子育ちの金欠青年

教育係の年上の男

ブルー
ブルー
ブルー
stark

若気の恋だと、
大人は笑う。

アマミヤ

AMAMIYA PRESENTS





...ARE YOU
TAKYA

KIPPEI-KLINT





I have
no money.

HEY
KIPPET-

ARE YOU
PLANNING TO
JUST LAZE AROUND
AT HOME ALL DAY
DURING THE
SUMMER
BREAK?

I gotta
figure out
something before
the birthday...

KIPPET

YOU'VE BEEN
STAYING OVER
AT YOUR
GIRLFRIEND'S
PLACE RECENTLY,
HAVEN'T YOU?

EA
I HAVE
PLANS...

DON'T YOU
HAVE WORK
TODAY?

THEY'RE RENOVATING THE PLACE
AT THE MOMENT
SO I'LL BE ON BREAK
FOR A WHILE.

HANG OUT
WITH ME
THEN-



DON'T I SAY
THE FOUR OF
US SHOULD GO
DRINKING?

YOU SHOULD INVITE
HER OVER, SOMETIME
AND INTRODUCE
HER TO US.

MAKE SURE
TO USE
PROTECTION.

Ahhh

So annoying...

☆



It's cooler
at night...



WAIT KENJI!
WHERE ARE YOU
GOING?

ON A RUN.

EVEN THOUGH
IT'S SO HOT
OUTSIDE??



But more
importantly...

Since I'm
suddenly
on break
from work,



I wouldn't
even mind
living on a hill...

As long as
the pay
is good.

I gotta
get another
job soon.



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ALL YES.
I'M A STUDENT.
20 YEARS OLD.

RESTAURANTS
AND BARS
I GUESS...

YES, THAT'S
RIGHT.

EXCUSE ME.
I SAW THE
ADVERTISEMENT
POSTER BUT...

ARE YOU
STILL HIRING?

AH...
I HAVE CONFI-
DENCE IN MY
STRENGTH.

...BH?

I'M HIRED?



THANK YOU
FOR COMING.

THIS IS THE
OWNER.

Oh
Fujimori

I'M TAKIYA
KIPPRI.

PLEASD TO
MEET YOU.



WORK WILL START
TOMORROW SO

YOU CAN GO
AHEAD AND
RELAX IN YOUR
DORM ROOM
TODAY.

Anyhow...

GOOD THING
THOUGH.

SOMEONE
JUST GUIT
THE OTHER DAY.





"Anyway, I think
you'll probably
feel some
anxiety since
you're new
to this school."

YOUR ROOM
IS IN THE
CORNER OF
THE 2ND FLOOR.



SO COULD
YOU USE THE
PUBLIC BATH
IN THE MAIN
BUILDING?

THE TOILETS
ARE SHARED.

AT THE MOMENT,
THE DORMITORY
BATHHOUSE IS
OUT-OF-ORDER.

Yes.

"If you have
any problems
just ask me."



THE FEMALE
DORMITORY IS
NEXT DOOR BUT

DON'T EVEN
THINK ABOUT
SNEAKING IN.

Just to



UNDERSTOOD.

...HOW
TALL ARE
YOU?

154CM...

SO YOU'RE
THE YOUNGEST
MEMBER HERE
BUT ALSO THE
TALLEST MEMBER.



My shift's from
7 til 11 and then
from 3 til 9
after a break...

...

This room
doesn't have
wi-fi huh...

I'll work
hard

this
month...





I was really
surprised.

Alphonse
Does you
suddenly an-
nounced that you
were going to be
staying nearby.

I HADNA
GO HOME.

AL, YEAH
AAAAA—

SORRY WE
WON'T BE ABLE
TO SEE EACH
OTHER FOR A
WHILE.

No, it's fine!
Good luck!

Don't push
yourself
too hard.

Come to
think of it, I

Hello?
Kippel-kun?

Are you done
with work?

YEP,
I JUST
FINISHED.

Good job.
How was it?



..Hello?

Didn't get
to see
Harjou-san
today.



..Good-
night.

Kippai-kun.



I'LL BE
TAKING MY
BREAK THEN.



YES...



I SEE.



ALL
TAKING

HAVE YOU
FINISHED SER-
VING LUNCH?



COME HANG
OUT WITH ME
FOR A BIT.



AM...

I KEEP GETTING
SCOLDED BY THE
OTHERS...

ALMOST A WEEK
HAS PASSED NOW.
HOW HAS IT GONE?
HAVE YOU GOTTEN
USED TO IT?



I'VE GOT
TWO SISTERS

HEH...



SO COMPARED TO
ALL THE NAGGING
AND CRITICIZING
THEY DO, THIS
IS WAY BETTER.



Heh

MUST BE TOUGH
GETTING TOLD OFF
SO MUCH.

HEH



haha



AND THAT
YOU'RE AN
EARNEST KID.

THEY SAID
THAT YOU
PICK UP THINGS
QUICKLY.

TAKEA,
I'VE HEARD GOOD
THINGS ABOUT YOU
FROM THE
WAITRESSES.



KEEP UP
THE GOOD
WORK.



Yes.



IS THERE
ANYTHING
YOU WANT?

Little girl
want more.

NO, NOT
REALLY...

I WAS JUST
DISPERATE
FOR CASH.

WELL AREN'T
YOU AN
HONEST ONE.

BY THE WAY,
WHY DID YOU
DECIDE TO
WORK HERE?

ARE YOU
INTERESTED
IN THIS FIELD?



HOW ADMIRABLE.
SO THAT'S WHY
YOU'RE ALL THE WAY
OUT HERE IN THE
COUNTRYSIDE.



IT'S ALMOST
MY PARTNER'S
BIRTHDAY SO...



I'LL DROP YOU
OFF AT YOUR
GIRLFRIEND'S
PLACE AFTER
WORK TODAY.

TAKIYA,
YOU'RE NOT
WORKING
TOMORROW,
ARE YOU?

NO.



Mm...
I SEE.



AFTER YOU'VE
FINISHED,
COME MEET ME
AT THE BACK
OF THE BUILDING.

What an
evil look...

Ah...



う+...

.....

TECHNICALLY
YOU'RE NOT
SUPPOSED TO SPEND
THE NIGHT
ELSEWHERE BUT...

YOU COULD PROBABLY
SNEAK OUT OF
THE SECOND FLOOR
WITHOUT GETTING
CAUGHT.

You're tell
ing well!

Lib...



Nice
Break-
son.



HURRY UP
AND GET ON.



YES.

YOU REALLY
DID SNEAK
OUT HUH.

HONJOU-
GAN...!

What this



We're riding a
motorcycle...



SORRY
ABOUT THIS.



SORRY?



AW.



THANK YOU
VERY MUCH...

I thought
I was
gonna die.



AW.



He's...
not married...



That was
marriage!

I FEEL LIKE
YOU COULD
DATE ANYONE
YOU WANTED TO.

AND I'M
CURRENTLY
LOOKING
FOR ONE.

HONJOU-SAN,
DO YOU HAVE
A SIGNIFICANT
OTHER?



I get why
the girls
were making
a fuss.



HAAH...
IT'S NOT
THAT EASY.



ANYWAY

MAKE SURE
YOU'RE BACK
BY TOMORROW.

?



GEN...GEI

...















YOU'RE
DISGUSTED
BY ME
RIGHT NOW,

AREN'T
YOU...

I'M NOT.



HEH...

HAVE MY
FORMER
HOMER ECO-
NOMICS
TEACHER.

...

I WAS SURPRISED
THAT YOU'RE
SAYING YOUR
TEACHER THOSE.



YOU'RE PRETTY
AMAZING...

TAKIYA

...I THOUGHT

YOU'D DEFINITELY
BE CRIPPED OUT.

Mm?

Mm?



Ah...



IT'S ALRIGHT.
I'VE BATTED
FOR THE OTHER
TEAM BEFORE.



OH YOU...
WHAT ARE YOU
IMAGINING.

Snap.

NOT
THINGS



カ
?

Ah.....



...BRAT.



YES...



GOT IT.



HURRY UP
AND GET ON.

To be continued...

Thanks for reading!
-honyakusha











BUT YOU
WERE ABLE TO
COMMUNICATE
JUST FINE.



...YOU WERE
SO FLUENT.

IT WAS JUST
ACCORDING TO
THE MANUAL.

YES.

ALSO, WERE YOU
WATCHING THE
WHOLE TIME
FROM NEARBY?

YOU SHOULD'VE
HELPED ME
OUT A BIT
EARLIER...



That day

THE SKY'S
SO BLUE
IT'S HARD TO
LOOK AT.



Even though
I felt so
ashamed,

Reiko-san
didn't say
anything.

and continued
travelling just
the same way.

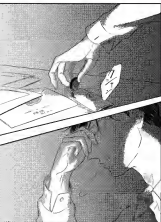


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I also



I'm so
itchy.



want to be
like that
someday.











ALRIGHT-
WE'RE HERE.

GORRY ABOUT THIS.
THANK YOU
VERY MUCH.



UM



Wait a
min...

NO
PROBLEMS.



OH, WE'RE
STAYING HERE
TONIGHT.

...
I'LL TAKE YOUR
LUGGAGE...!



MAGLUMI

I didn't expect
them to be
guys...

AH

BOSS-
SAN





If they're
on a first
name basis,

then they
won't be
pretty close...



OH?

MISSING



OH?
MISSING



I THOUGHT I'D
BE THE ONLY
ONE IN THE BATH
AT THIS TIME.



YOU WERE SO
SKEPTICAL
AT FIRST.

...



THANK YOU
VERY MUCH
FOR TODAY.

AHH, IT'S FINE,
SORRY FOR
BEING SO
SUDDEN.

Wahaha

FAIR
ENOUGH!

I SAW THAT
THERE WAS
A WOMAN
IN THE CAR
AS WELL.

I THINK I
RELAXED
A BIT WHEN



RIGHT??

YOUR GIRL-
FRIEND IS
VERY PRETTY.



THOUGH WE
DID REGISTERED
AS FAMILY
RECENTLY

SO TECHNICALLY
SHE'S MY
WIFE NOW.

...



What to
talk about.

AH, MASUMI?

HE WAS
MY KOUSAI
IN UNIVERSITY.

I HADN'T SEEN
HIM IN A WHILE
BUT HE HADN'T
CHANGED
AT ALL.

CONGRA-
TULATIONS.

THANKS!

He sure
smiles a lot.

ARE YOU
FRIENDS WITH
HONTOU-
SAN?

UM...

He looked...

THE TIMES WHEN
MASUMI AND I
RODE AROUND
ON OUR
MOTORBIKES

WERE THE
MOST FUN
I THINK.

IS THAT SO...? I
JUST WANT TO
BECOME AN
ADULT ALREADY.

YOU A
STUDENT?

YES.
I'M SO.

THAT'S THE
BEST TIME
OF YOUR
LIFE!

WAAAA!
I WISH I
COULD
GO BACK...



HAH...
THAT GUY
STILL RIDES
HIS BIKE?

YES...

HA...
I WAS QUITE
SURPRISED
TO FIND OUT
THAT

HONJOU-SAN
HAS A
MOTORBIKE.

HEH...

EVEN THOUGH I
TOLD HIM THAT
IT DIDN'T SUIT HIM.

HE ALWAYS RODE
BEHIND ME
WHEN WE WERE
IN UNIVERSITY.







YEP.

I'LL BE COUNTING
ON YOU THEN,
MASUMI.

THANK YOU
AS WELL,
HARUKO-SAN.



SEE YOU!





I haven't
been able to
calm down since
yesterday.



For some
reason



WE'LL BE
EXPECTING
YOUR ARRIVAL
THEN.

YES.
THANK YOU
VERY MUCH.



EXCUSE ME



YUKI-CHAN
ACCIDENTALLY
SPILLED SOME
SOUP WHILST
SHE WAS
SETTING UP.

WERE THERE
ANY INJURIES?



CAN I
USE THIS
COPY?

WHAT'S
WRONG?





NO, IT'S
ALRIGHT.

SHE CRASHED
INTO KIPPEN-
KUN BUT



HE SAID THAT
HE WAS FINE
WHICH IS A
RELIEF—

YES?

Knock.
Knock.

I'M
COMING IN.

? WHAT'S THE
MATTER...

DID YOU
REALLY NOT
GET BURNT?

YEAH...
AH, NO.

I DIDN'T.

SHOW ME.

I'M FINE.

SHOW ME.







DID YOU
GO OUT
WITH HIM?

YEARS AGO,
I FELL IN LOVE
WITH A GUY.
THAT'S IT.



HE'D ALREADY
BEEN DATING
SOMEONE FOR
A LONG TIME

SO HE ENDED
UP WITH THEM



How you are
probably



"WAGUWU!"

still likes
that person.

...HEY

YOUR
HAND...

...

...WAS THERE
ANYTHING ELSE—

I DON'T WANT
TO LET GO...

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HONJOU-SAN,
I LIKE YOU.



...DON'T YOU THINK
YOU CHANGE
TOPICS A BIT
TOO QUICKLY?

ARE YOU STILL
NOT DISGUSTED
BY ME



Huh?



OL...
WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT...!



THE WALLS IN
HERE ARE
PRETTY THIN SO

PLEASE
KEEP YOUR
VOICE DOWN.



...

I APPRECIATE
YOUR FEELINGS
BUT...

SORRY...
YOUNGER GUYS
ARE A BIT...



...



that look...

...What's with

To be continued...



Thanks for reading!
-honyakusha

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I'M GETTING
MARRIED.

I was so composed
I surprised myself.

THOUGH THE
CEREMONY
IS STILL ASSES
AWAY GO...

In fact, I
felt relieved.

AH! IT'S NOT
BECAUSE WE'RE
HAVING KIDS OR
ANYTHING, OKAY!

FINALLY, HUH.



Because I would
never have to tell
him how I feel.



HAS PLENTY OF
CHANCES AT
FINDING A SUIT-
ABLE PARTNER.



I JUST GOT
REJECTED BUT



CAN YOU PLEASE
NOT TREAT ME
LIKE A CHILD...

UM...

I'M AN ADULT
SO NO CAN DO.



I'D APPRECIATE
IF YOU COULD

IGNORE THIS AND
JUST TREAT ME AS
YOU ALWAYS DO.



his expression
just then can't
have been one
of someone who
got rejected,
right...

No matter
how you look
at it.





I didn't think that
such a young person
would be attracted
to me.



...Well, when
you're at that age,





you're drawn to
people who have
vastly different
views to you.

That's what
I was like.







YO.

MASA-SAN.

that person was
always losing
his lighters so



WHAT'RE YOU
DOING OVER THE
WINTER BREAK?



I'M GOING
BACK HOME.

I HAVE TO
HELP OUT.

DOES YOUR
FAMILY OWN A
BUSINESS OR
SOMETHING?

I would carry
around one or two
spares with me.



YOU CAN USE
THE ONSEN
AS MUCH AS
YOU WANT!

Now's the
perfect
season!

Asured



THEY RUN
A RYOKAN.

SERI-
OUSLY??

I'LL BE WORKING
THERE AFTER I
GRADUATE.

ARE YOU THE
SUCCESSOR?



COULDN'T YOU
COMMUTE FROM
THERE?

NOW THAT I
THINK ABOUT IT,
YOUR PLACE ISN'T
THAT FAR FROM
HERE SO

WAIT



Please
stop that



SEIYA,
MAGUMI.



WASA

Youki-
dama here

AH



I WANT TO AT
LEAST LIVE BY
MYSELF DURING
THE SEMESTER.

FAIR
ENOUGH.





I'M HOME.

WELCOME BACK...

A POSTCARD FROM RYOKO-SAN ARRIVED.

THANKS FOR THIS.

YEP.

THANKS.

IT'S ON THE TABLE IN THE LIVING ROOM.

FROM RUI, HUH...





Mama-tan...?



Can you
come out?

Mama,
are you free
right now?

HELLO?

YES...?



I CAN'T GO
OUT...

I'M STAYING AT
MY RELATIVES'
PLACE RIGHT
NOW SO...

SORRY...

I SEE.





Yo, Mami!



I don't

understand.

LET'S GO.



Crap. I
completely
zoned out.

PLEASE
STOP THAT
CUSTOMER!!

OH, THEY
JUST LEFT.

What's
wrong?

I THINK THE
CHILD LEFT
THIS...

I'LL CALL
THEM...



I THINK
I CAN STILL
MAKE IT.

HELLO...



KITANO-
GAN.

Thank you,
onii-chan!

CAN I ASK
FOR A FAVOUR?

SUCH A
BRIGHT
YOUTH.





This guy
is pretty...

COULD IT BE
THAT YOU'RE
AVOIDING ME?

I THOUGHT
YOU'D COME
FOR ME...

JUST
THEN,

I DIDN'T MEAN
FOR YOU TO
TAKE IT PER-
SONALLY...





...I FELL IN
LOVE WITH YOU.

KNOWING THAT
I WAS PLAYING A
LOSING GAME SO



I'LL DECIDE
HOW I HANDLE
MY OWN FEELINGS.









I SEE.



THAT PLACE
IS PRETTY
COOL EVEN
IN SUMMER.

THANKS FOR
ALL YOUR
HELP LAST
TIME.



I GUESS IT'S
LIKE A SUMMER
RECAP.



YO.



SHOULD THE
STAR OF THE
SHOW BE TAK-
ING A BREAK?

I STOPPED
EACHING
ALREADY.



I'M JUST
RELIEVED THAT
THE WHOLE EVENT
HAS BEEN ALRIGHT...

WELL...



WHAT'S
WRONG?



WHEN THINGS
SETTLE DOWN,
LET'S GO FOR
A RIDE.



OKAY?



YEAH.

ME TOO.



OH!

I ALMOST
CRIED



I mean, I admit that
Ade was my
mistake! But,
you know?

WHEN YOUNG-
MIL READ HER
LETTER TO HER
PARENTS.

THEY WENT
TO THAT
KIND OF
STORY.



MRSUM



"I FELL IN LOVE WITH
YOU, KNOWING THAT
I WAS PLAYING A
LOSING GAME SO"



My
feelings
need
closure.





"I'LL DECIDE HOW
I HANDLE MY
OWN FEELINGS."



...MAMA-SAN





Turn
104

ALL, KIPPET-
CHAN.



YES, IT'S
GONE BY
SO QUICKLY.

IT'S BEEN
3 WEEKS
ALREADY.



BUT?

YOU'RE LEAVING
SOON, HUH...



CONGRATULATIONS
ON YOUR WEDDING.







INDEED.



I HAVEN'T HAD
ANY LUCK YET...



...EXCUSE ME



BY THE WAY,
HOW WAS THE
CEREMONY?



AH, IT WAS
REALLY GOOD.



YOU SHOULD ALSO
HURRY UP AND FIND
A WIFE SO THE
LANDLADY CAN REST
ASSURED.



AH, DID I
NOT TELL YOU?



WE'LL BE TAKING
OUR LEAVE THEN.



AH...
GOOD WORK.



WHERE WAS THE
GARBAGE BIN
AGAIN?



THIS IS
JUST RIGHT.



IT GETS COLD
AT NIGHT.



THE CEREMONY
TODAY...

IT WAS FOR
THE GUY YOU
MENTIONED
LAST TIME...



THANK YOU.



YOU WERE BEING
CONSIDERATE
JUST THEN, RIGHT?



I

>>>



Thanks for
reading!





I thought
I saw someone
for a second...

Er?

YUKI-CHAN,
WHAT'S
WRONG?

ALL IT'S
NOTHING—



...



Is he really
shocked?

Oh...

WHAT WERE
YOU PLANNING
TO DO IF WE
GOT SEEN?

WE DIDN'T
GET SEEN SO
IT'S FINE.



But he hasn't
told me to
let him go.



Taking
advantage
of the situation
like this...

I'm

so pathetic.



But that
being said



TAKA...

YOUR HEART
IS BEATING
REALLY LOUDLY.



PLEASE JUST
FORGIVE ME
FOR THAT...



...SORRY...



right now,
this is the
only way I
know how

to get
close to
Hiroko-san.



Pfft

Ha
Ha
Ha
Ha
Ha
Ha
Ha
Ha

SORRY

UM...

COULD YOU
LET ME GO
SOON?

I'M SUCH AN
AMPUL GUY,
AREN'T I...



JUST ONE
MORE MINUTE
PLEASE.

I DON'T
NEED TO BE
COMFORTED.



HONJOU-SAN



WHEN YOU
TOOK ME OUT
ON YOUR BIKE?

DO YOU
REMEMBER



FOR WAITING
FOR ME WHEN
I WENT INSIDE.



YEAH...



THANK YOU





Oh god

Oh god

He smelt
so good





I want more...



IT'S FINE,
THE OWNER
TOLD US TO
DO IT.

BESIDES,
WE CAN TAKE
THIS OPPORTUNITY
TO THANK EVERY-
ONE ELSE FOR
THEIR WORK.

Yay!

Owner

OH, THERE'S
NO NEED...
I FEEL KINDA
BAD...

WE DON'T HAVE
ANY RESERVATIONS
FOR TOMORROW SO

WE'RE ALL GOING
TO FINISH EARLY
AND HAVE A
FAREWELL PARTY
FOR YOU.



At the start,
I thought that
a month would
go by slowly, but

the food was
really good, and
everyone was so
caring and kind.

This will all be
over in 3 days.







These guys
are really going
all out, heh...



...Honey-san.



AAAA,
THEN...



Kenji-san's
staying pretty
far away too...

Ah, TAKESHI-
KUN, WOULD YOU
LIKE TO ORDER
SOMETHING TO
DRINK?



THANK YOU
VERY MUCH.



...HAI?



YOU'RE A
MINOR, AREN'T
YOU...

I'M NOT.



MM



WE SHOULD
CALL IT A NIGHT
SOON--



HEH--

EARLIER
HE DRANK SOME
OF THE BEER
I LIKE BUT

HE HADN'T
RETURNED FROM
THE BATHROOM...

I WONDER IF
NONJOU-SAMA'S
ALRIGHT...

IS SOMETHING
WRONG?



THAT BOY
IS REALLY A
LIGHTWEIGHT,
YOU SEE--

EH

SERIOUSLY?!





AH, BOTH THE
URINAL AND
THE STALL ARE
EMPTY NOW
SO...

I WAS WAITING
FOR YOU SO
I'M FINE
WE'RE WRAPPING
UP NOW.

I SEE...

ARE YOU
ALRIGHT...



BE CAREFUL,
THERE'S A
STEP THERE.

AHH...

SORRY, I
THINK WE
MIGHT HAVE
WENT A BIT
OVERBOARD-

AHHH-
HONJOU-KUN?

NO, IT'S
FINE.

TEXT:
HOLDS
FIRMLY



SFX: NOO

ALRIGHT, THEN
WE'LL LEAVE IT
TO YOU!
THANKS~

...

...



The door
will now
open.

...

9 MINUTES
AWAY FROM
THE STORE,
HUM...

...YOUR
PLACE IS
JUST

↑6





...TATTA.

IS IT TOO
COLD?



IT FEELS
GOOD SO



JUST
STAY LIKE
THAT...





SORRY ABOUT
ALL THIS...



HOW DO
YOU FEEL?

OKAY,
THANKS TO
YOU



Hey, Kitch.
Could you carry
this thing to
her room?

Well, yeah,
I can do that.

Eureh...

MY SISTERS
ARE REALLY
BAD DRINKS,
SO I'M USED
TO IT...

Don't get
around
as much
if you
are.

But...



BESIDES...



NO NEED
TO SAY
SORRY.

I FEEL LUCKY
TO HAVE BEEN
ABLE TO SEE
YOU IN SUCH
A VULNERABLE
STATE.

And I'm really
desperate, so

haha
THAT'S
REASSURING...





LOOKING LIKE
I CAN'T LET
MY GUARD
DOWN.

OI



I GOT
CARRIED
AWAY...

...SORRY



... BUT YOU
SMILED.

YOU KNOW,
I CAN'T TELL
IF YOU'RE CON-
FIDENT ABOUT
THIS OR NOT.

I'M NOT.



AH, THAT
WAS PROBABLY

BECAUSE
I THOUGHT
IT WAS CUTE
HOW FLUSTERED
YOU WERE.



? TEXT: CUTE...?



EH?

YOU HAD
THIS REALLY
CONFIDENT
SMILE ON
YOUR FACE...

AFTER YOU
CONFESSED
TO ME.



?

I DID?

I'M POSITIVE.



YOU SHOULD
GO TAKE A
BATH FIRST.



YOU DON'T
HAVE ANY SHAME,
DO YOU?



He ran
away.



I'LL GO GET
YOU A TOWEL.



This is one of
Seacrag's...



Though the
pattern is a
bit different.



I shouldn't
wake him up.



Did he
fall asleep?



But I feel
bad entering
without telling
him...



Should I
carry him to
his room?





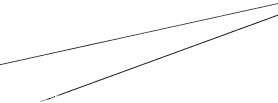
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SAD THAT

I'M LEAVING
TOMORROW,

HONJOU-SAN...









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